



EXPRESS MAIL NO.: EV336597521US

PATENT

RECEIVED
DEC 31 2003
TECH CENTER 1600/2900

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Jeffrey Van Ness et al.
Application No. : 10/000,467
Confirmation No. : 4128
Filed : October 24, 2001
For : METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR ENHANCING
SENSITIVITY IN THE ANALYSIS OF BIOLOGICAL-BASED
ASSAYS

Examiner : Jezia Riley
Art Unit No. : 1637
Docket No. : 780068.418C3
Date : December 19, 2003

Box Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY

Commissioner for Patents:

Reconsideration of the present application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

12/24/2003 EFLORES 00000074 10000467

01 FC:1806

180.00 DP